

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 14435

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, IT, YU

SUBJECT: TRIESTE/ZONE B DISPUTE

REF: ROME 13626

1. SOURCE OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFTEL HAS CONFIDED TO US THAT ONGOING CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN YUGOSLAVS AND ITALIANS HAVE RUN INTO SERIOUS SNAGS. HE ATTRIBUTED PROBLEM TO CONTINUING YUGOSLAV HABIT OF BACKING AWAY FROM POSITIONS THEY HAD PREVIOUSLY HELD. SOURCE COMMENTED THAT ITALIANS FEEL YUGOSLAV NEGOTIATING STANCE HAS HARDENED DURING PAST FEW MONTHS. NEVERTHELESS, SOURCE GAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT CONTACTS ARE CONTINUING.

2. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE, ITALIANS ARE ATTEMPTING TO ACHIEVE TECHNICAL AGREEMENT OF DISPUTE WHICH WOULD NOT REQUIRE PARLIAMENTARY RATIFICATION. HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE WOULD BE SUBSTANTIAL OPPOSITION IN THE COUNTRY TO A FINAL SETTLEMENT WHICH WOULD RECOGNIZE DE JURE YUGOSLAV CONTROL OVER ZONE B, BUT THE MFA HOPES THAT EVENTUALLY THERE WILL BE AN ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WHICH WILL FEEL STRONG ENOUGH TO PLACE ITS FINAL SEAL OF APPROVAL ON AN ACCEPTABLE COMPROMISE AGREEMENT. VOLPE

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